

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2151 without my signature.

This bill would cede a portion of the state's oversight of off-sale retail licensees to local entities. While I support the intent of the bill to strengthen redevelopment efforts in blighted areas, I cannot support legislation which contradicts the provision of the California Constitution vesting the State with the exclusive right to license and regulate alcoholic beverage retailers.

For this reason, I am returning this bill without my signature

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger